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To whom it my concern:

If Coke was given the same opportunity as Microsoft is being given. Non-Coke drinkers would have limited choice, which means the consumer suffers. It's sad to see that justice makes the victims suffer to the same crimes that monopolist tries to create in the first place which is "limited choice".

While getting my college degree my economics professors each stated the best economy is the economy where the consumer has multiple sources from which to make a choice. In addition the freedom to make the choice is what America is suppose to be about.

Please side on the consumers side by making Microsoft payout money to the schools so they can decide what's the best choice for them (note it might not even be a computer). Otherwise, it just like the joke the average American is hearing right now "first hit is free kid!" states the school drug dealer. Once the first hit has taken effect these school become an annuity based cash cow for Microsoft.

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